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New Red Tulip, Dark Warrior

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Magnificent Garden Iris

These lovely Iris, which are so easy to grow, are offered here at greatly reduced price.

Each Per 3

Alta California. 48 inches. A magnificent new Iris, with delightfully ruffled standards which look like pure molten metallic bronze, and with re-toned falls, shading to a bronze border to match the standards. .	\$.20	\$0.55
Crystal Beauty. 50 inches. A gorgeous new snow-white of huge size, on stalks that are shoulder high, being the tallest and one of the most outstanding of all white Iris. The flowers are of perfect shape and very freely produced . . . . .	.20	.55
Ethelwyn Dubuar. 36 inches. Enormous medium pink flowers with prominent orange beard, and fine enamel finish. Much admired, and really distinctive . . . . .	.20	.55
Helios. 44 inches. Sensational soft lemon-yellow flowers of enormous size and smooth polished ivory finish. Has been awarded a Certificate of Merit . . . . .	.20	.55
Legend. 36 inches. A super Iris of huge size, perfect form and rich deep coloring. Standards lilac, flushed lavender; falls rich deep velvety crimson-claret, like a piece of fine plush. One of the best . . . . .	.20	.55
Minister Fernand David. 36 inches. A gigantic brilliant dahlia-carmine bi-color, perfect in every way, with lustrous silky standards and rich velvety falls. Awarded a Certificate of Merit . . . . .	.20	.55
Morning Splendour. 36 inches. Very large flowers of rich dubonnet-red, perfectly formed, of heavy substance, delightfully fragrant, hardy and free flowering. The color is fiery red when the sun shines through it . . . . .	.20	.55
Paulette. 48 inches. Standards bluish mauve; falls violaceous mauve. Gives an effect of enameled blue-lavender, with fine tone and finish. This variety is of giant size . . . . .	.20	.55
Rameses. 42 inches. A perfect flower in every way, in a blending of tourmaline-pink and soft yellow, with a pronounced yellow glow at the center. Winner of the Dykes Memorial Medal . . . . .	.20	.55
Sachem. 40 inches. A lovely rich re-toned bicolor with erect silky standards of rosy bronze and velvety falls of deep dazzling red. A flower of perfect form, brilliant colors, and fragrant . . . . .	.20	.55
Selene. 36 inches. A large hardy white, of good substance and excellent form. A real novelty, until recently priced beyond the average purse . . . . .	.20	.55

Rameses

Alta California

IRIS COLLECTION

1 each of above (11 plants) unlabeled	\$1.65
3 each of above (33 plants) labeled	4.95

NEW DWARF IRIS

These beautiful little Iris do not grow over six inches high, and bloom in April and May. They are fine for bordering flower beds and ideal for planting in the rock garden. Many will bloom again in the fall. Order early!

Mixed Dwarf Iris. Wide range of colors, such as orange, blue, cream, purple, yellow, bicolors, etc. 3 for 75c; \$2.60 per doz.





Red *Lilium Tenuifolium*

Double Russian Violets

Dainty purple-blue flower, very double, and deliciously sweet scented. Perfectly hardy anywhere, and especially ideal for shady locations. 3 for \$1.19; \$3.50 per doz.; \$20.00 per 100.



Double Russian Violets



GRAPE HYACINTHS

(Muscari)

HEAVENLY BLUE. The foliage of this plant is similar to that of Scilla, but the flowers are of entirely different form—grapelike clusters closely set, and wonderful for use as a cut flower. Splendid in the rock garden, as a border, or for naturalizing. Height 17 inches. 60c per doz.; \$4.50 per 100.

Lilium Tenuifolium

Lilies of all kinds are extremely scarce, and it is impossible to import additional supplies at this time. However, we are offering *Lilium Tenuifolium* in three different colors, and they are a welcome addition to any garden.

Tenuifolium, Red. Beautiful, dainty little Lily, with slender stems and grassy foliage, blooming in June or July. Produces numerous showy scarlet flowers, with reflexing petals. Prefers a sunny location in well drained soil. 3 for 75c; \$2.60 per doz.

Tenuifolium Cernuum. Exquisite new novelty, the dainty little lilac-pink form of the above, delicately formed, with beautiful waxy blossoms. 3 for \$1.10; \$3.75 per doz.

Tenuifolium, Golden Gleam. Numerous showy blossoms of a pure apricot-yellow cover this hybrid Lily in June. A bright spot of color, be sure to include it. 3 for 90c; \$3.20 per doz.

SEEDLING NARCISSUS

These exquisite seedling Daffodils contain some of the loveliest new varieties available, each plant different from the other, and practically all have red-orange or scarlet centers. This collection is the finest we have ever seen, and any one variety, taken individually, is of high enough standard to bear its own name. Here is your opportunity to enjoy something really new, and surprisingly beautiful, for so little. Remember, Narcissi make a permanent planting for you to enjoy for many years.

6 for \$1.15

25 for \$4.00

12 for \$2.00

100 for \$15.00

THE GORGEOUS

Narcissus or Daffodils

For Springtime Beauty

Archeron. (Barri.) Outer petals open cream color, which turn almost pure white as the flower ages. The cup is of a deep orange color, a very strong and long lasting variety for outdoor planting. Received an Award of Merit. 40c per 3; \$1.40 per doz.; \$10.00 per 100.

Campernelle, Single. (Jonquil.) A tiny, fragrant Daffodil of golden yellow, with tips of pointed, grasslike foliage reaching above the flower. A delightful blossom with overlapping broad petals making a nicely rounded perianth; frequently blooms three to a stalk. 35c per 3; \$1.05 per doz.; \$7.00 per 100.

Croesus. (Incomparabilis.) Perianth light canary-yellow, opening flat, with broad, fluted cup of rich orange to base; free flowering and desirable in every way. Received a First Class Certificate as well as an Award of Merit. 40c per 3; \$1.35 per doz.; \$9.50 per 100.

Francisca Drake. (Incomparabilis.) We cannot adequately describe the beauty of this distinctly new type. Pure white perianth petals of unusual substance, an inch and a half wide, tinted gold at the base, which shows through on the outside; with a wide and deep cup, golden yellow at the base, changing gradually to flame-orange at the densely frilled edge; the flowers are held well above the fine foliage, giving the effect of white seagulls taking flight. Strong growing and very free flowering. Received an Award of Merit. 75c per 3; \$2.50 per doz.; \$18.50 per 100.

Inglescombe. (Double.) By far the only outstanding Daffodil in its class. Its color is of the purest yellow, without blemishes of any kind, unlike the older types which were marred with green in the petals. It keeps its pure color to the very last. Of the doubles, we feel we are offering you the best there is to be had. Received two Awards of Merit. 60c per 3; \$2.00 per doz.; \$15.00 per 100.

King Alfred. (Yellow Trumpet.) Received a First Class Certificate. An old variety, but still very good. The finest giant all golden yellow Narcissus, of moderate price. **Jumbo size** bulbs, 60c per 3; \$2.00 per doz.; \$15.00 per 100. **First size** bulbs, 45c per 3; \$1.50 per doz.; \$11.00 per 100.



Archeron

Luna. (Jonquil.) One of the very best of this type, producing two or three large, very beautiful lemon-yellow flowers on each stem. Very fragrant; late blooming. 50c per 3; \$1.75 per doz.; \$12.00 per 100.

Red Beacon. (Barri.) This lovely variety has a perianth of ivory-white, with a very striking, spreading cup of brilliant orange. Recommended. 50c per 3; \$1.65 per doz.; \$12.00 per 100.

Red Cross. (Incomparabilis.) A famous new variety, extra large, and a strong grower; producing a flat primrose-yellow perianth and a deep yellow cup, densely frilled deep orange, substantial and long lasting. Fine both in the garden and for exhibition. 80c per 3; \$2.65 per doz.; \$19.00 per 100.

Yellow Poppy. (Incomparabilis.) A fine new introduction, with a well proportioned perianth of good size, and flaring trumpet. Perianth of deep yellow, and cup of the same lovely shade. Beautiful, and recommended for garden or for cutting. 40c per 3; \$1.35 per doz.; \$9.00 per 100.



Inglescombe

DAFFODIL COLLECTION

3 each of above 10 varieties (30 bulbs) for	\$ 5.25
6 each of above 10 varieties (60 bulbs) for	9.75
12 each of above 10 varieties (120 bulbs) for	17.25

Unusual Tulips for Tulip Fanciers ~

	Three	Doz.
Abundance, 24 in. A strikingly unusual variety of the bunch-flowering type, producing several golden yellow blossoms from each bulb	\$0.90	\$3.00
Apricot, 28 in. A fine variety of a delicious apricot color, unusual, the only one in its class . . . . .	.50	1.70
Blue Danube, 28 in. An unusual new novelty of clear deep blue. An outstanding variety, with a large flower . . . . .	.75	2.50
Cherbourg, 29 in. A fine Tulip, shaded golden yellow to bronze, of strong and sturdy habit . . . . .	.75	2.50
Coquelin, 32 in. An especially tall new rose colored Tulip of great merit. Strong growing variety, of perfect form and habit . . . . .	.60	2.00
Dark Warrior, 28 in. A splendid cup-shaped Tulip, of an intense, vivid scarlet, a really "alive" color	1.10	3.75
Gladstone, 26 in. One of the very best in this color, an ideal Tulip of outstanding merit, a lovely clear purple shade . . . . .	.95	3.50
Gloria Swanson, 32 in. An enormous flower of a pleasing shade of American Beauty-red, with bluish base. One of the largest flowers in this color . . . . .	.50	1.65
Golden Age, 26 in. Bright golden yellow faintly overlaid orange, strong grower, beautifully shaped. One of the finest of the new yellows of recent introduction . . . . .	.90	3.00
Golden Glow, 28 in. An exquisite new variety of compelling beauty, of a dark golden bronze color. A fine novelty. Each 60c	1.75	
Golden Statue, 28 in. Clear lemon-yellow blossom of unsurpassed beauty, a superb introduction of real loveliness	1.05	3.50
Goldfinch, 29 in. A sweet scented Tulip of golden chestnut, interior mahogany-brown; flushed lilac through center of petals . . . . .	.50	1.65
Indian Chief, 33 in. A very tall and strong Tulip of enormous size. The coloring is fascinating and very suitable for outdoor planting. Indian brown, flushed copper, with a burnished metallic sheen. It towers above practically all others	1.00	3.50
Insurpassable, 28 in. Mammoth lilac Tulip on a tall, strong stem; one of the best and highly recommended . . . . .	.60	2.00
John Ruskin, 22 in. A delicate blending of apricot, orange, pink and gold. Large, egg-shaped blooms and a beautiful color combination . . . . .	.40	1.25
Leda, 23 in. A pleasing variety of deep satin rose, edged salmon at the edge of petals. A lovely Tulip, highly recommended . . . . .	.45	1.50
Lucifer, 30 in. Bright terra-cotta-orange; considered one of the finest of the orange shades. Late blooming, fine for outside planting, sweet scented . . . . .	.50	1.75
Magnolia, 28 in. A strikingly different combination of cream, flushed purple, unusual and lovely. A real novelty	1.20	4.00
Marvel, 22 in. A very distinct, sweetly fragrant variety, inside old gold, outside salmon-rose, edged yellow. Highly desirable . . . . .	.50	1.65
Mrs. F. E. Dixon, 26 in. An outstanding variety of sulphury white, of illusive beauty, the only one of this color . . . . .	.80	2.75

	Three	Doz.
Mr. Van Zyl, 25 in. A glorious dark rose colored Tulip with a broad white border; lovely clear and bright interior. A splendid new novelty, which we can well recommend	\$0.60	\$1.90
Peach Blow, 27 in. This variety, of cream and delicate peach color, is a luscious blending of exquisite shades . . . . .	.90	3.00
Picotee, (Lily-flowered.) 20 in. Snow-white with a margin of rose, pointed and reflexing petals . . . . .	.45	1.50
Pink Gem, 17 in. A real jewel in this color, delicate pink on white . . . . .	.60	1.90
Pride of Haarlem, 27 in. Brilliant American Beauty-red; most popular Darwin; sweet scented . . . . .	.35	1.25
Prince of Orange, 26 in. Dark terra cotta changing to orange-yellow. Stands up remarkably well during warm weather; strong and sturdy . . . . .	.45	1.50
Prince of the Netherlands, 30 in. A tall Tulip, with a large flower, of vibrant cerise-scarlet . . . . .	.60	2.00
PRINCESS BEATRIX, 30 in. A new introduction, named for the Dutch princess. A fine specimen Tulip; pink stripes on white ground, unique. 71c each	2.00	
RED AND SILVER, 24 in. A truly charming variety of silvery white and rose, sturdy and colorful . . . . .	.75	2.50
REV. H. EWBANK, 26 in. An exquisite shade of soft lavender-violet, shaded silvery gray color subdued by bright sunlight . . . . .	.30	1.10
SARAZEN, 22 in. A delicately soft pink with bright yellow stamens, a lovely variety . . . . .	.40	1.35
SIR HARRY, 22 in. A most beautiful lavender-pink Tulip, whose vase-shaped flowers keep their colors well in very hot weather . . . . .	.45	1.60
SUNDEW, 21 in. Cardinal-red of great beauty, with strongly fringed edges. Highly recommended . . . . .	.45	1.50
TURNER, 27 in. Geranium-red, shaded rose; treacherous flower, carried on a strong and tall stem . . . . .	.45	1.50
UNION JACK, 20 in. A really distinctive variety, of pure, feathered white . . . . .	.75	2.50
VELVET BEAUTY, 27 in. A magnificent clear blue-purple flower with a white base. Blossom is of immense size and carried on a very strong stem. One of the finest clear purples we know . . . . .	.75	1.00
WOLVERINE, 23 in. Pure golden yellow, with a distinct and well defined margin of pure scarlet. The two colors do not mix, as many varieties of this type do . . . . .	.50	1.75
WONDERLAND, 26 in. A striking variety of cherry-red, with a salmon suffusion. A fine new novelty . . . . .	.45	1.50
ZORLINE, 18 in. Deliciously fragrant Tulip of scarlet, with vermilion gloss. A vivid color, outstanding . . . . .	.45	1.50
ZWANENBURG, 20 in. A pure white Tulip with black anthers. A good white for many purposes . . . . .	.50	1.70

TRIUMPH TULIPS

This type is very strong and sturdy, with large flowers, blooming about ten days earlier than the Darwin types.		Three	Doz.
BRAHMS, 26 in.	An unusual new Tulip of rosy lilac, edged and flushed ivory. A late introduction, still scarce	\$0.50	\$1.60
CAMBRINUS, 36 in.	Lilac-mauve with silvery suffusion, inside darker with apricot overcast, white base. A strong flower and free bloomer . . . . .	.45	1.50
ELIZABETH EVERS, 24 in.	A tremendously large flower of fuchsia-red with a soft silvery suffusion, base white, feathered . . . . .	.55	1.85
KANSAS, 22 in.	Snow-white with lemon-yellow base, and yellow stamens. One of the best white Tulips for outdoor planting . . . . .	.45	1.50
MISSISSIPPI, 20 in.	Brilliant cardinal-red, with blue and white base. A sturdy and strong variety . . . . .	.45	1.50
PROF. KUENEN, 17 in.	Ghosclared, with white side, a first-budding Tulip of unusual coloring . . . . .	.50	1.75
PROF. TENDELOO, 20 in.	American Beauty-red, flushed with violet, with lemon-yellow edge, making a striking contrast. A vigorous grower . . . . .	.45	1.50
RED FLAME, 20 in.	Golden yellow when the flower opens, with a scarlet blotch on each petal, which changes in color as the flower ages . . . . .	.45	1.50
RIBERA, 22 in.	A very unusual color, opens creamy white, becoming mottled with red as flower ages; black center and margin . . . . .	.50	1.65
SCARLET SURPRISE, 12 in.	A short-stemmed, charming Tulip of ruffled scarlet . . . . .	.50	1.75
URSA MINOR, 21 in.	Deep golden yellow, an exceptional budding variety. The finest golden yellow in its class . . . . .	.60	2.00
U. S. A., 26 in.	A very fine flower of orange-red, with a distinct orange-yellow edge. This variety has excellent lasting qualities . . . . .	.60	2.00

WE HAVE included in this listing, varieties which have been off the market because of shortage of stock, and some of which are not listed in our complete 1943 catalog.

NOTICE

Tulip bulbs for the coming season are going to be definitely more scarce than at any time during the previous "scarce" years. The spring of 1943 was, as far as Tulip growing is concerned, the worst experienced by us during any year we have been engaged in the growing of domestic Tulip bulbs. Early in the season every indication pointed to the prospect of a bumper crop. However, the month of May had 29 rainy days, and June was even less favorable. As a result, some Michigan growers have been nearly wiped out through flooded fields. Our crop, due to these unfavorable conditions, is decidedly smaller than we had anticipated, and the size of the bulbs is slightly smaller than in past years. It is, therefore, our earnest wish to notify you to place your order as soon as possible, and give us a second choice when making your selection.

REGARDING DEEP PLANTING

With each shipment will be included deep planting instructions first suggested by the Nelis Nurseries during the 1942 planting season, giving not only our own experience, but also the experience of many of our correspondents, who have written us. It is, and always has been, our aim to supply you with the latest information and suggestions to make your bulbs give you the most for your money! It is our hope that you will at least try planting some of your bulbs this new way, and report on your results later, so we can pass the information on to other Tulip lovers.



Indian Chief



Sarazen



U. S. A.



Gladstone



Zwanenburg



Peach Blow



Prince of Orange



Red and Silver



Picotee

"The Tulip"

Special offering of "The Tulip," a booklet describing the history and culture of the Tulip in the United States, by Harry Nelis. A very comprehensive and useful booklet for anyone interested in Tulip culture; contains full cultural instructions, especially prepared for those who wish to fully understand Tulip requirements. Regular price, 25c. SPECIAL NOW FOR ONLY 10 CENTS

VESPER IRIS (Dichotoma)



Vesper
Iris

New and different! The beautiful filigree of graceful branches of the Vesper Iris is studded with from one to two hundred jewel-like flowers, truly a mammoth bouquet. The delicately colored blossoms, which at a little distance, somewhat resemble a multitude of gorgeous butterflies at rest, with motionless, outstretched wings, vary in color, including such hues as cool translucent lavender, with markings of mahogany, copper, lemon, orange, brown or Tyrian. The Vesper Iris, which is exceedingly easy to grow, blooms for a month, during July and August, when flowers are scarce. Resists both severe cold and intense heat with impunity. Be the first one in your locality to grow this unique Iris!

3 for 73c

8 for \$1.69



Gorgeous → Colchicums

The only bulb that will bloom indoors without soil! Without water! Without care!

This sensational new bulb may be placed, just as it is, on the mantel, window ledge, or table, and with absolutely no further attention on your part, will reward you with exquisitely lovely

bloom. The usefulness of the bulb does not end when the blossoms fade. Plant them outdoors, and in the spring will appear the luxuriant green foliage. Dig up the bulbs after the foliage has died down, take them indoors to repeat this marvelous feat of Nature! Lovely shades, ranging from white to lilac-pink, violet, orchid, mauve and purple.

ORDER EARLY! COLCHICUMS BLOOM IN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER! THEY WILL BE SHIPPED AT ONCE!

MIXED COLORS. Lovely mixture of various shades. 3 for \$1.25;

\$4.75 per doz.

NAMED COLCHICUMS

1 each of 6 varieties (6 bulbs) for\$3.00
2 each of 6 varieties (12 bulbs) for 5.75

